Figure 312: Scenario cell range with border

Copy back

Copies any changes made to a scenario's cell values back into the active scenario. If you uncheck this option, then the scenario's initial values cannot be overwritten. The actual behavior of the **Copy back** setting depends on the current cell and sheet protections and the **Prevent changes** setting (see Table 18 on page 329).

> ⚠ **Caution**
>
> When creating a new scenario from the cells of a scenario with **Copy back** enabled, be careful not to overwrite the old scenario. To avoid this situation, create the new scenario with **Copy back** enabled first, then change its values only once it is active.

Copy entire sheet

Creates a copy of the sheet with the new active scenario. The sheet is named after this scenario. Note that changing scenario values in the copy sheet will not affect the active scenario, even if it has **Copy back** enabled.

Prevent changes

Prevents changes to a scenario with **Copy back** enabled when the sheet is protected but the cells are not. Also prevents changes to the scenario's settings while the sheet is protected. This option and its effects are more fully explained in the next section.

Changing scenarios

Scenarios have two aspects that can be altered independently:

- Scenario properties (that is, its settings)
- Scenario cell values

The extent to which these aspects can be changed depends on the active scenario's properties and the current sheet and cell protections. For more detail about sheet and cell protections, see Chapter 2, Entering, Editing, and Formatting Data.

Changing scenario properties

Table 17 summarizes how sheet protection and the **Prevent changes** option affect your ability to change scenario properties.

Table 17: Changing scenario properties

Sheet protection	Prevent changes	Property changes
On	On	No scenario properties can be changed.